

# Obanliku language

**Obanliku** (Banliku, Abanliku) is a Bendi language of Nigeria. There are five dialects or varieties: Bisu, Busi, Bishiri, Basang and Bebi.<sup>[3]</sup>

In a 2011 survey, it was found that the Bisu, Busi, Bishiri and Bebi dialects share above 75% lexical similarity and are mutually intelligible, but the southwestern Basang dialect had less than 75%, causing some difficulty for speakers of the other dialects.<sup>[4]</sup> Basang speakers could understand the other dialects, however.<sup>[5]</sup> Additionally, all Obanliku speakers have some understanding of the neighbouring Bete-Bendi language, mainly through learning it at the market;<sup>[6]</sup> the Obanliku and Bete-Bendi languages also had an average of 70% lexical similarity.<sup>[4]</sup>

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Obanliku	
Banliku	
Native to	Nigeria
Native speakers	(65,000 cited 1989) <sup>[1]</sup>
Language family	Niger–Congo <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li> Atlantic–Congo<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Benue–Congo<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Southern Bantoid?<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Bendi<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>Obanliku</b></li></ul></li></ul></li></ul></li></ul></li></ul>
Dialects	Basang <p>Bebi</p> <p>Bishiri</p> <p>Bisu</p> <p>Busi</p>
Language codes	
ISO 639-3	bzy
Glottolog	oban1244 ( <a href="http://glottolog.org/resource/languoid/id/oban1244">http://glottolog.org/resource/languoid/id/oban1244</a> ) <sup>[2]</sup>

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